

From: [Doug Reeder](#)
To: [Cindy Patnode](#)
Subject: FW: Data Request
Date: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 2:46:01 PM

From: Vose, Robert J. <rvose@Kennedy-Graven.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 12:12 PM
To: Doug Reeder <dreeder@ci.victoria.mn.us>
Subject: FW: Data Request

Doug:

Note my suggestion to include this in packet or provide to council.....

Bob

From: Vose, Robert J.
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 12:10 PM
To: 'Tom Funk'; 'Andy Pratt'
Cc: Doug Reeder; Short, Jean M.
Subject: RE: Data Request

Mayor and Andy,

In my view, I “work for” the City—not the city council or the manager. However, in a council/manager form of government, the manager is the individual that normally requests and receives legal input for the City and is the primary point of contact for such legal input. Of course, the city council may give the attorney direction, and the council may receive legal advice directly (typically via a closed meeting or an attorney-client privileged memo, both of which have occurred several times in the past two years), but the manager and other department heads routinely seek legal advice. This arrangement is typical across the 35 or so cities we currently represent as city attorney.

Regarding my input on the latest Coons data request(s), the Department of Administration advised Victoria’s responsible authority that the City is not required to obtain and provide messages generated on your “Victoria Residents First” Facebook page. In turn, I said the City can rely on that feedback and should communicate that to Ms. Coons. I explained this at the last council meeting. Although you did not attend, Mayor, I assume you reviewed the meeting.

Finally, you ask why my input wasn’t provided directly to you. You have demanded that communications about some things, specifically including data practices issues, go thru your personal attorney. For that reason, I am also directing this message to Andy. Unfortunately, this makes communicating with you about legal matters difficult or potentially even inappropriate. This unusual arrangement, along with your practice of only communicating with Doug and me in writing, makes communication difficult. I would prefer that you talk to Doug, and to me as needed, but that is apparently not your wish.

Doug, you may want to include this message in the packet or otherwise share it with the council since the Mayor’s Facebook page is an item on the upcoming agenda. Please let me know if there are questions.

Thank you

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From: Tom Funk [<mailto:tcfunk@ci.victoria.mn.us>]
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 4:18 AM
To: Doug Reeder
Cc: Vose, Robert J.
Subject: Re: Data Request

Mr. Reeder,

What is his input? Don't you think I should see what the city attorney had to say? After all, the city attorney works for the Council, not you.

Mayor

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From: Doug Reeder
Sent: Sunday, November 18, 21:08
Subject: Re: Data Request
To: Tom Funk
Cc: rvose@kennedy-graven.com

Yes

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 17, 2018, at 4:39 PM, Tom Funk <tcfunk@ci.victoria.mn.us> wrote:

Mr. Reeder,

Has Vose seen the Sara Coon data request? Has he provided any input related to it to you or other members of the Council?

Mayor

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